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TAGS: ENGR, TECH, KS

SUBJ: WESTINGHOUSE LICENSE TO EXPORT NUCLEAR MATERIALS

REF: STATE A-3392

TOKYO FOR ERDA - STATE PASS NRC

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY LOCAL WESTINGHOUSE (WH)
REP (LOREN COCHRAN) RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF
KORI 1 NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, CONCERNING STATUS OF EXPORT
LICENSE WHICH HAS BEEN ISSUED TO WH FOR EXPORT OF NUCLEAR
MATERIALS FOR KORT 1. COCHRAN SAID WH NUCLEAR FUEL DIVISION,
WHICH IS PREPARING NUCLEAR FUEL FOR KORI 1, ASKED WH
PITTSBURGH OFFICE STATUS OF EXPORT LICENSE AND WAS INFORM-
ED THAT LICENSE WAS UNAVAILABLE AND POSSIBLY HAD BEEN
"LOST IN THE MAIL." WH PITTSBURGH OFFICE REPORTEDLY
DISCUSSING PROBLEM WITH NRC.

2. COCHRAN SAID THAT PROVISION OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS ON TIME
IS MATTER OF "CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT" BETWEEN
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WH AND KOREA ELECTRIC CO (KECO) AND THAT KECO HAS

BEEN INCURRING EXTRA EXPENSES TO INSURE THAT STORAGE
FACILITIES ARE READY FOR EXPECTED SHIPMENT THIS FALL.

3. COCHRAN VERY CONCERNED THAT ROKG WILL NOT BELIEVE
"LOST LICENSE" STORY BUT WILL RATHER ASSOCIATE DELAY
IN SHIPMENT OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS WITH CONGRESSIONAL
CONCERN OVER NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS.

4. COCHRAN TRAVELING TO WH PITTSBURGH OFFICE WEEK
OF JUNE 9TH AND INTEDNS, IF TIME PERMITS, TO VISIT
EA/K AND DISCUSS PROBLEM.

5. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE WASHINGTON ASSISTANCE IN
ASSURING THAT WH HAS LICENSE FOR EXPORT OF NUCLEAR FUEL
FOR KORI 1. COCHRAN POSSIBLY CORRECT IN ASSUMPTION
THAT ROKG WOULD INTERPRET DELAY IN FUELS SHIPMENT AS
BEING POLICY DECISION RATHER THAN PROCEDURAL PROBLEM.
KOREAN PRESS HAS GIVEN EXTENSIVE COVERAGE THIS SPRING
TO STATEMENTS BY U.S. CONGRESSMEN EXPRESSING CONCERN
ABOUT NUCLEAR EXPORTS.

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